Our organization has participated in IS-BAO and NBAA Security Programs, worked towards qualifying for a TSAAC, and has been very pro-active about adopting and using security measures that would permit us unrestricted access to our country's airspace.

We are saddened that this terrible rule is even put before the American people, and we do not plan to participate. It forces the carriage of weapons aboard small business aircraft, and places an totally unacceptable and unreasonable burden upon small business owners.

The key trust relationship needs to be between the TSA and vetted flight crew. Establishing and reinforcing such trust should be the center piece of any DCA access program, instead of putting a LEO into the cabin.

We specifically assert that these rules are discriminatory against small businesses, and respectfully request that they be revised to eliminate the need for LEOs and gateway airports that will present a time and monetary cost that small business can not bear.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about these comments.